

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. Please amend claims 74 and 77 as follows:

Listing of Claims:

1-73. (Cancelled)

74. (Currently Amended) A method for installing an elongated planarizing medium on a planarizing machine, ~~the planarizing medium being housed in a cartridge frame~~, comprising:

providing a polishing pad cartridge comprising an elongated member including first and second attachment portions spaced apart from each other, the polishing pad cartridge further comprising a supply roll coupled to the first attachment portion and a take-up roll coupled to the second attachment portion, the supply roll and the take-up roll being unenclosed by a housing;

installing a ~~the~~ supply roll on a supply spindle of the planarizing machine while the elongated planarizing medium is attached to both the supply roll and a ~~the~~ take-up roll, ~~the supply roll being attached to the cartridge frame having a linear member extending directly between axes of the supply roll and the take up roll~~; and

installing the take-up roll on a take-up spindle of the planarizing machine while the elongated planarizing medium is attached to both the supply roll and the take-up roll, ~~the take up roll being attached to the cartridge frame~~.

75. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 74 wherein installing the supply roll is simultaneous with installing the take-up roll.

76. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 74 wherein installing the supply roll and the take-up roll are completed without passing the elongated planarizing medium adjacent a guide roller positioned between the supply roll and a platen for supporting the planarizing medium.

77. (Currently Amended) A method for installing an elongated planarizing medium on a planarizing machine, ~~the planarizing medium being housed in a cartridge frame~~, comprising:

installing a supply roll on a supply spindle of the planarizing machine while the elongated planarizing medium is attached to both the supply roll and a take-up roll, ~~the elongated planarizing medium extending linearly between the supply roll and the take up roll, the supply roll being attached to the cartridge frame having a linear member extending directly between the axes of the supply roll and the take up roll~~; and

installing the take-up roll on a take-up spindle of the planarizing machine while the elongated planarizing medium is attached to both the supply roll and the take-up roll, ~~the take up roll being attached to the cartridge frame~~; and

wherein installing the supply roll and installing the take-up roll comprises orienting a planarizing surface of the elongated planarizing medium substantially non-horizontally.

78. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 77 wherein installing the supply roll is simultaneous with installing the take-up roll.

79. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 77 wherein installing the supply roll and the take-up roll are completed without passing the elongated planarizing medium adjacent a guide roller positioned between the supply roll and a platen for supporting the planarizing medium.